

Decision No. 32511

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
Leland H. Doss, an individual doing)
business under the firm name and)
style of Surprise Valley Stage Com-) Application No. 22764
pany, for permission to increase)
freight and express rates.)

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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

In this application, Leland H. Doss, doing business in Modoc County as the Surprise Valley Stage Company, a passenger stage corporation and a highway common carrier, seeks authority under Rule 21 of General Order No. 80, to publish certain increased rates for the transportation of property between Alturas, Cedarville, Lake City and Ft. Bidwell. The rates now maintained by applicant and those sought to be established in lieu thereof are contained in Appendix "A" and Amended Appendix "B", respectively, of the application.

In support of the application it is pointed out that the transportation involved was exempted from the minimum rates, rules and regulations heretofore established for the transportation of property by highway carriers generally, based upon a showing that such rates, rules and regulations would cause shippers in the territory involved to use their own trucks.¹ It is alleged, however, that the existing rates are unreasonably low and that moderate increases can be effected without encouraging unduly the use of pro-

¹ By Decision No. 31606 in Case No. 4246, in re Rates of All Common and Highway Carriers, this carrier was exempted from the minimum rates therein established, in connection with shipments weighing 100 pounds or less. Thereafter, by Decision No. 32401, this exemption was extended to shipments of all weights, as a result of evidence submitted at an adjourned hearing.

prietary trucks. It is asserted that all regular shippers in Modoc County have been consulted concerning this adjustment and have signified that the proposed rates will be satisfactory to them.

It appears that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, subject to the following conditions, Leland H. Doss, an individual doing business as the Surprise Valley Stage Company, be and he is hereby authorized to publish rates for the transportation of property on the basis shown in amended Appendix "B" of the application which is hereby referred to and by reference made a part hereof:

1. Applicant shall observe all requirements of the Commission relative to the construction and filing of tariff schedules.

2. The authority herein granted shall lapse and be void if applicant shall not have published the sought rates within ninety (90) days from the date hereof.

This order shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 31st day of October, 1939.

R. J. Swabey
Frank R. Sullivan
W. J. Diney
H. J. Baker
Justice J. Caenen
Commissioners